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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

__X__ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

	NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA PRESENT		RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	132	MINUS	132	* = 0	X	($9 SE or $18)	$-0-
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					X	($140 SE or $280)	$-0-

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If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

AMENDMENTS

_X_ If checked, amendments to the claims are submitted herewith.

Claims:

Please amend claims 54-55 and 68 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(i) as set forth in the "clean" version attached hereto as Appendix A. Entry is respectfully requested. A version with markings to show the changes made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(ii) is attached hereto as Appendix B.

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